# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:59
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AUTONOMY TO JIPMER
Ponnuswamy Shri Mohan

**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government is contemplating to give autonomy to JIPMER located in Puducherry;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether opinion of people of Puducherry was obtained as per the conditional clause laid down in the Treaty of Cession entered into between India and France;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefore;

(f) whether the views of the staff of JIPMER, all the political parties in Puducherry and State Government of Union Territory were also obtained in this regard; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) to (g): In order to enable Jawaharlal Institute of Post-Graduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry to become a 'Centre of Excellence' in medical education and research, it has been proposed to convert it into a statutory institution through an Act of Parliament with a view to provide it with necessary academic autonomy. Consultations were held with all the stake holders and their views have been taken into consideration while formulating the proposal. JIPMER, Puducherry in its present form was not a French establishment and as such is not covered by the Treaty of Cession.